HOUSE BILL 726

By Hood

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 55, Chapter 50, relative to driver licenses.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 55-50-102(6), is amended by deleting the subsection in its entirety.

SECTION 2. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 55-50-322(a)(1)(A), is amended by deleting the first sentence in its entirety and by substituting instead the following:

The department shall examine every applicant for a driver license, intermediate driver license, or a learner permit, except as otherwise provided in this part.

SECTION 3. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 55-50-323(e), is amended by deleting the subsection in its entirety

SECTION 4. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 55-50-331(g), is amended by deleting the language "certificate for driving" in the first sentence and substituting instead the language "driver license".

SECTION 5. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 55-50-331(g), is further amended by deleting the second sentence in its entirety and by substituting instead the following language:

Such driver license shall be valid only during the period of time of the applicant's authorized stay in the United States; provided, however, that no such driver license shall be issued for a period of less than one (1) year or longer than five (5) years.

SECTION 6. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 55-50-331(h), is amended by deleting the subsection in its entirety.

SECTION 7. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 55-50-331(i), is amended by deleting the subsection in its entirety.

SECTION 8. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 55-50-332(c), is amended by deleting the subsection in its entirety and substituting instead the following:

(c) Duplicate driver licenses obtained in place of such driver licenses, issued pursuant to § 55-50-331(g) shall be valid during the period of time specified in such subsection.

SECTION 9. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 55-50-337(c), is amended by deleting the subsection in its entirety and substituting instead the following:

(c) Notwithstanding any other provision of law to the contrary, driver licenses issued pursuant to § 55-50-331(g) shall be valid during the period of time as specified in such subsection.

SECTION 10. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 55-50-337, is amended by deleting subsection (d) in its entirety and by substituting instead the following language:

(d) Any person issued a license or permit prior to July 1, 2004, who is subject to the provisions of § 55-50-331(g) shall, upon renewal or reapplication, receive, if otherwise eligible, a driver license which shall expire in accordance with such subsection.

SECTION 11. This act shall become effective July 1, 2007, the public welfare requiring it.

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